

TJJD Staff Member at the Giddings State School Tests Positive for COVID-19 This is the second Youth Development Coach at the campus to test positive this week, but the cases appear unrelated based on initial contact tracing

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AUSTIN—Executive Director Camille Cain announced today that a Youth Development Coach at the Giddings State School has tested positive for COVID-19. The results of the test were received this morning.

This is the second positive case at Giddings this week. Another Youth Development Coach tested positive on Tuesday, June 16. Based on initial contact tracing, the cases appear to be unrelated, and at this time no youth have developed symptoms.

Both employees are currently asymptomatic and are self-isolating at home.

The agency is identifying any youth or staff members who might have had contact with the employee. Those youth will be administered a COVID-19 test, and staff members will be asked to self-isolate following CDC guidelines.

"We take these cases very seriously, and the agency is providing its full support to the Giddings State School in terms of staffing and coverage," Cain says. "The safety of our youth and our employees is our number one priority."

For the most up-to-date information about the agency's response to COVID-19, please visit the TJJD website.

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